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Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DETERMINING COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH A  
SELECTED OBJECTIVE

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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 24, 2005**

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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to an Office Action dated October 24, 2005, which included an election/restriction requirement.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.